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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: Cellulose Ester Film, Cellulose Ester Dope, Protective  
Film Of Polarizing Plate And Polarizing Plate

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and  
Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 127 pages, including 1 independent claims and 17  
numbered claims total.
2. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
3. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Konica Corporation.
4. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 209812/2000, filed July 11,  
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					\$710	\$ 710.00
Basic Application Filing Fee	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	17	-	20		x \$18	
Independent Claims	1	-	3		x \$80	
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 209812/2000, filed July 11, 2000.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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